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Sumpter declares emergency

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However, declaring an emergency is the first step in potentially accessing available funds.

According to the Emergency Declaration Guidelines for Local Elected and Appointed Officials, available at oregon.gov, “A state of emergency is usually enacted by a Governor’s Executive Order, which establishes directions to, and expectations of state agencies to use available resources to assist local communities and alleviate disaster conditions.”

The document also states, under “Local Declarations,” “the declaration of a local emergency can be the first step in requesting state resources from the Governor. Local requests for state assistance must include: the type of emergency or disaster; the location(s) affected; deaths, injuries, populations still at risk; the current emergency conditions or threat; an initial estimate of the damage and impacts; specific information about the assistance being requested; and actions taken and resources committed by local governments (city and county).”

Clarke confirmed that City recorder Julie McKinney has been in contact with someone at the State

level and they are sending her the necessary paperwork to start the process.

Looking forward, Clarke said they are in the same situation as Bend, Redmond, Portland, and other cities which are running out of funds and waiting to see how the rest of the winter develops. Unlike some other areas, Sumpter has not had any collapsed roofs yet. Clarke said there is a local crew of young people making themselves available quite reasonably to remove accumulated snow from roofs.

Hwy. 86 deer feeding warned against

According to Baker County Commission Chair Bill Harvey and several residents—some of whom have been up to the Courthouse with concerns—someone has been feeding out alfalfa along Highway 86 from Keating along to Oxbow.

Harvey said that the feed can kill the deer and is creating a hazard to oncoming traffic.



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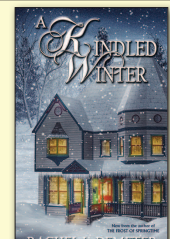
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- Be proficient in organizing, planning, scheduling and coordinating events and activities with little or no supervision.
- Possess the ability to take appropriate action on one's own initiative.
- Show loyalty to the Cooperative and maintain confidentiality of information.
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